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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**International Trade Administration** 

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Honey from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of the Expedited Third Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of

Commerce

SUMMARY: As a result of this sunset review, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that revocation of the antidumping duty order on honey from the People's Republic of China (China) would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the level indicated in the 'Final Results of Sunset Review' section of this notice.

DATES: Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

On November 1, 2017, Commerce published the notice of initiation of the third sunset review of the antidumping duty order on honey from the China, pursuant to section 751(c) of the

Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).<sup>1</sup> On November 13, 2017, Commerce received a notice of intent to participate from American Honey Producers Association and the Sioux Honey Association (collectively, the petitioners) as domestic interested parties, within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i).<sup>2</sup> The petitioners claimed interested party status under section 771(9)(E) of the Act, as a trade association whose members are engaged in the business of producing honey in the United States.

On December 1, 2017, we received a complete substantive response for the review from the domestic interested parties within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i).3 We received no substantive responses from respondent interested parties with respect to the order covered by this sunset review, nor was a hearing requested. Pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2), Commerce is conducting an expedited (120-day) sunset review of this order.

Commerce has exercised its discretion to toll deadlines for the duration of the closure of the Federal Government from January 20 through 22, 2018. If the new deadline falls on a non-business day, in accordance with Commerce's practice, the deadline will become the next business day. The revised deadline for the final results of this sunset review is now March 5, 2018.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews, 82 FR 50612 (November 1, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See the petitioners' Letter, "Honey from the People's Republic of China: Petitioners' Notice of Intent to Participate," dated November 13, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The petitioners' Letter, "Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews of the Antidumping Duty Order on Honey from the People's Republic of China – Petitioners' Substantive Response," dated December 1, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Memorandum for The Record from Christian Marsh, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, "Deadlines Affected by the Shutdown of the Federal Government" (Tolling Memorandum), dated January 23, 2018. All deadlines in this segment of the proceeding have been extended by 3 days.

## Scope of the Order

The merchandise subject to the order is honey. For a complete description of the scope of this order, *see* the accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum.<sup>5</sup>

#### Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in this review, including the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping in the event of revocation and the magnitude of the margin likely to prevail if the order was revoked, are addressed in the accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum. The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <a href="http://access.trade.gov">http://access.trade.gov</a>, and to all parties in the Central Records Unit, room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Internet at <a href="http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/">http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/</a>. The signed Issues and Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

#### Final Result of Sunset Review

Pursuant to sections 751(c)(1) and 752(c)(1) and (3) of the Act, we determine that revocation of the antidumping duty order on honey from China would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and that the magnitude of the dumping margins likely to prevail would

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Memorandum, "Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Expedited Third Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Orders on Honey from the People's Republic of China" (Issues and Decision Memorandum), dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice.

be weighted-average dumping margins up to the following weighted-average dumping margin:

183.80.

Notification to Interested Parties

This notice serves as the only reminder to parties subject to an administrative protective

order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary

information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Timely notification of

the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby

requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is

subject to sanction.

We are issuing and publishing these results and notice in accordance with sections

751(c), 752(c), and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218.

Dated: March 5, 2018.

Gary Taverman,

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for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance

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